

REMARKS

The Board Decision decided on June 10, 2009, has been carefully considered. Applicants respectfully request that prosecution be re-opened and reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

In response to the Board Decision, Applicants have canceled several claims in which the rejection was upheld or where a new rejection was set forth (e.g., claims 3, 10, 11, 16 and 17). These claims are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter set forth therein, and Applicants reserve the right to re-submit such claims in a subsequent application. Claims 4, 6, 8, 12, 13, 14 and 15 have been amended to presumably place them in condition for allowance - by incorporating limitations of the independent claim or by making them dependent from a claim that is currently urged to be allowable.

In light of Applicants amendments, claims 1-2, 4-9 and 12-15 are believed to be in condition for allowance, and Applicants respectfully request a timely indication of allowance.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments, reconsideration of this application and allowance thereof are earnestly solicited. In the event that additional fees are required as a result of this response, including fees for extensions of time, such fees should be charged to USPTO Deposit Account No. 50-2737 for Basch & Nickerson LLP.

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the timely disposition of this case, the Examiner is hereby authorized to call Applicant's attorney, Duane C. Basch, at Telephone Number (585) 899-3970, Penfield, New York.

Respectfully submitted,

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